

CITY OF BELLEVUE
CITY COUNCIL

Summary Minutes of Regular Session

March 2, 2009
8:00 p.m.

Council Chamber
Bellevue, Washington

PRESENT: Mayor Degginger, Deputy Mayor Balducci, and Councilmembers Bonincontri, Chelminiak, Davidson, Lee and Noble

ABSENT: None.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:02 p.m., with Mayor Degginger presiding.

2. Roll Call, Flag Salute

Upon roll call, all Councilmembers were present. Councilmember Lee led the flag salute.

3. Communications: Written and Oral

- (a) A speaker on behalf of the KidsQuest Children's Museum thanked the Council for financial support during the past year, which helped the museum expand its free Friday programming and add exhibits. She presented to the Council a piece of a quilt made by children at the museum.
- (b) Jeff Pavey, Cascade Land Conservancy, thanked the Council for its discussion of the King County transfer of development rights (TDR) program as a component of the Bel-Red Plan incentive program. He noted that this region is a desirable place to live due to both its cities and surrounding natural areas.
- (c) Cynthia Welty, Executive Director for the Mountains-to-Sound Greenway, spoke in support of the County's TDR program and Bellevue's planning efforts for its Bel-Red corridor.

4. Reports of Community Council, Boards and Commissions: None.

5. Report of the City Manager

(a) Management Brief – Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting

Finance Director Jan Hawn announced that the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) has awarded its Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to the City of Bellevue for its 2007 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. This is the 26th consecutive year that the City has received the award, which represents the highest form of achievement in governmental accounting. Ms. Hawn thanked Accounting Manager Diane Ijomah and her staff for their work in preparing the annual report.

Mayor Degginger commended staff for their efforts and achievement.

(b) 2009-2020 Transportation Facilities Plan [Study Session Agenda Item 2(c)]

City Manager Steve Sarkozy opened discussion regarding the 2009-2020 Transportation Facilities Plan (TFP) update.

Eric Miller, Transportation Capital Programming Division Manager, briefly reviewed the process to update the TFP since September 2007. Environmental analysis of the TFP began in September 2008, and the draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) was published on January 22. The final EIS is to be published on March 5. On February 26, the Transportation Commission approved its TFP Update recommendation, which will be presented to the City Council this month. The plan has 71 total projects including 31 new projects, with an estimated total cost of \$430.3 million. The Downtown and Wilburton areas reflect 15 projects, and 18 projects are located in the Bel-Red Subarea.

Deputy Mayor Balducci inquired about project TFP-158 adding bike lanes, curb, gutter and sidewalk on SE 16th Street between 148th and 156th Avenues SE. Mr. Sarkozy said staff will provide a detailed response for future Council discussion.

6. Council Business and New Initiatives

- Councilmember Chelminiak moved to appoint Councilmember Lee to represent Bellevue at the March meeting of the Law Enforcement Officer and Fire Fighter (LEOFF) 1 Disability Board. Deputy Mayor Balducci seconded the motion.
- The motion to appoint Councilmember Lee to represent Bellevue at the March LEOFF 1 Disability Board meeting carried by a vote of 7-0.

Councilmember Davidson attended meetings of the Metropolitan Water Pollution Abatement Advisory Committee (MWPAAC) and Cascade Water Alliance (CWA) Board. Dr. Davidson requested the minutes of Council's previous discussion of the King County TDR program.

Councilmember Lee attended a meeting of the Regional Transportation Committee. He testified before the House Transportation Committee in Olympia in favor of legislation that enables cities to provide local transit services.

Deputy Mayor Balducci attended a meeting of the Eastside Transportation Partnership (ETP). She noted the need to appoint a Councilmember to replace Councilmember Noble on the ETP.

Councilmember Davidson noted his election as Vice Chair to the Regional Water Quality Committee.

Mayor Degginger reported on his meeting with Governor Gregoire in which a number of transportation priorities were discussed.

7. Approval of the Agenda

→ Deputy Mayor Balducci moved to approve the agenda, and Councilmember Chelminiak seconded the motion.

→ The motion to approve the agenda carried by a vote of 7-0.

8. Consent Calendar

→ Deputy Mayor Balducci moved to approve the Consent Calendar, amended to remove Items (b) and (d) for discussion. Councilmember Chelminiak seconded the motion.

→ The motion to approve the Consent Calendar, as amended, carried by a vote of 7-0, and the following items were approved:

(a) [Minutes not submitted for this packet.]

(c) Resolution No. 7890 authorizing execution of a four-year General Services Agreement with Tor & Dorothy Storkersen dba TDS Services, in an amount not to exceed \$53,760, for caretaking services at Newcastle Beach Park.

(e) Resolution No. 7891 ratifying amendments to the King County Countywide Planning Policies (CPP) that amend the interim potential annexation areas (PAA) map for Bellevue regarding Coal Creek Park Natural Area; add unincorporated urban areas to the PAAs of Maple Valley, Carnation, Sammamish, Enumclaw, Black Diamond, Renton, Issaquah, and Duvall; and remove areas from the Urban Growth Areas (UGA) in Maple Valley and Black Diamond; and establish an effective date.

Items Pulled for Discussion:

(b) Resolution No. 7889 authorizing execution of a Professional Services Agreement with Yates, Wood & MacDonald, Inc., for property management services at Parks Rental Properties.

- (d) Resolution No. 7875 authorizing execution of a four- year Professional Services Agreement with Yates, Wood & MacDonald, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$541,400, for property management services at the Bayvue Village Apartments.

Mr. Sarkozy introduced Jerry Nissley from the Parks Department, who was in attendance to respond to Council's questions.

Mayor Degginger said that he and Councilmember Lee had questions regarding the different percentage levels for the fees. Mr. Nissley explained that the percentage of profits being requested is eight percent for one contract and five percent for another, which is based on the differing level of effort involved in managing the contracts by a property management firm. The lower percentage is associated with managing the single Bayvue Village Apartments site as compared to managing multiple Parks rental properties.

Responding to Mayor Degginger, Mr. Nissley said a four-year contract provides some certainty for the contracted firm and a good value for the City in terms of the fees. Mayor Degginger noted the lack of information provided on the contracts and said he is not comfortable with the items as presented.

Councilmember Lee thanked staff for the information regarding the different fee percentage levels. Responding to Mr. Lee, Mr. Nissley said the contracts have a 30-day cancellation clause.

Mayor Degginger suggested that staff resubmit the items with additional information on projected revenues and the vendor selection criteria.

- 9. Public Hearings: None.
- 10. Land Use: None.
- 11. Other Ordinances, Resolutions and Motions: None.
- 12. Unfinished Business: None.
- 13. Continued Oral Communications: None.
- 14. New Business: None.
- 15. Executive Session

At 8: 44 p.m., Mayor Degginger declared recess to Executive Session for approximately 40 minutes to discuss one item of property acquisition, one item of pending litigation, and one item of property disposition.

At 9:22 p.m., Deputy Mayor Balducci recused herself from the remaining Executive Session discussion on property disposition.

16. Adjournment

The Executive Session concluded at 9:32 p.m., and Mayor Degginger declared the meeting adjourned.

Myrna L. Basich
City Clerk

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